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- 1. PROTOCOL AND AF OFFICIALS HAVE HAD SEVERAL DISCUSSIONS WITH AMBASSADOR MWALE AND OTHER ZAMBIAN EMBASSY PERSONNEL RE POSSIBILITY OF THEIR OBTAINING ADDITIONAL VEHICLES FOR TRANSPORT OF ZAMBIAN PARTY DURING WASHINGTON STAY. PROTOCOL HAS EXPLAINED THAT IN VISIT OF THIS TYPE (IT IS ESSENTIALLY PRIVATE VISIT, ALTHOUGH WE ARE NOT PUBLICLY REFERRING TO IT AS SUCH) IT HAS NO AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE MORE THAN ONE VEHICLE FOR VISITING CHIEF OF STATE.
- 2. IN EFFORT TO BE HELPFUL AND AT LEAST PARTIALLY RESPONSIVE, AF IS USING ITS FUNDS TO PAY FOR RENTAL OF LIMOUSINE FOR MRS. KAUNDA'S USE. WE HAVE SO INFORMED AMBASSADOR MWALE, WHO PLEASED AT THIS HELPFUL GESTURE. IT IS OUR IMPRESSION THAT HE NOW FULLY UNDERSTANDS LIMITATIONS ON DEPARTMENT'S ABILITY TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL VEHICLE. KISSINGER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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